

## REMARKS

Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully requested.

By the present Preliminary Amendment the specification is amended to correct minor informalities.

Further, replacement Figs. 20, 27, 28, 34 and 40 are submitted herein to correct minor informalities in those figures.

Replacement Figure 20 now labels element 40a. Replacement Figure 27 now properly recites for element 732 a "Calculation – Processing Section". Replacement Figure 28 now includes reference No. 75. Replacement Figure 34 now indicates one input to the Prediction Coefficient Memory 92 as properly labeled as HM. Replacement Figure 40 now properly recites for element 942 a "Teacher Pixel Cut-Out Section".

The changes made to the specification and in the replacement figures are deemed to be self-evident from the original disclosure, and thus are not deemed to raise any issues of new matter.

The present application is believed to be in condition for a full and thorough examination on the merits. An early and favorable consideration of the present application is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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